



## **Innovative Educator Network**

### *Application Criteria, Instructions, and Process*

#### **Innovative Educator Network Selection**

##### *Eligibility Criteria*

To be eligible for consideration, applicant(s) must:

- Teach at a Tennessee public school in the 2013-14 and 2014-15 school years, with an intention to stay at the same school both years;
- Have at least two years teaching experience by the 2013-14 school year;
- Demonstrate support of current school leadership as demonstrated by principal signature on Letter of Agreement<sup>1</sup>; and
- Work in a school district whose network and student to device ratio meets PARCC readiness standards as outlined by the Tennessee Department of Education.

##### *Selection Criteria*

After initial eligibility screen, selection will be based on the following qualities:

- **Student Growth:** Educator(s) demonstrates ability to make significant impact on student learning
- **Teacher Fit:** Educator(s) processes diverse information and evidence to make sound judgments and plan strategically
- **Mission Fit:** Educator(s) believes that s/he can and will lead students to high academic performance and that technology can play a critical role in this success
- **Professionalism:** Educator(s) is a reliable, polished professional(s)

#### **Application Instructions**

Please complete Parts I and II below. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please note that by submitting this application, the applicant(s) acknowledges that they meet all *eligibility criteria* listed above and will meet the commitments outlined in the *Innovative Educator Network Participant Requirements* below.

*Part I: Online Application (one per team if team applicants)*

*Part II: Letter of Agreement*

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<sup>1</sup> **NOTE:** Please contact Brett Turner at (615) 440-2372 or at Brett.Turner@tn.gov in order to determine technology readiness for the school district and school. The Office of District Support will conduct outreach, as necessary, to determine principal support.

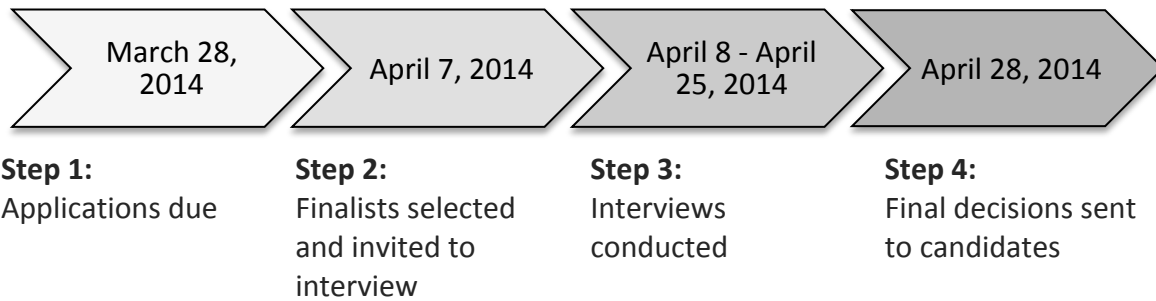


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## Application Process

The application process is broken up into two stages: the written application and an interview.<sup>2</sup> Key dates include:



## Innovative Educator Network Participant Requirements

Participation requirements for the Innovative Educator Network include:

- Arrive on time and prepared for all sessions, trips and/or other events. Attendance at all sessions is required.
- Meet all required deadlines.
- Innovate with personalized learning models after exploring best practices, engaging in an intensive summer planning process, and sharing out key lessons learned from implementation during the 2014-15 school year.
- Build positive relationships with network participants and actively contribute to the continually evolving and expanding community of practice.
- Continue to pursue excellence in teaching craft and uphold all other responsibilities in classrooms and schools.

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<sup>2</sup>NOTE: Interviews will be conducted in regional C.O.R.E. offices with dates and times sent to finalists. Participants applying as a team will be required to interview in person while individual teachers or librarians have the option to interview via Skype or in-person.